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# MEDICAL QUÆRIST,

AND

## INVESTIGATOR.

IN TWO PARTS.

By W. P. RUSSEL,

A STUDENT IN MEDICINE AND PHILOLOGY,

Sed toto legor Orbe frequens, et dicitur, Hic est.

Martial, lib. ii. Epigr. 76.

If the World read my Work, and approve of the Plan, Let them point (( ) if they please, and say, that is the Man. He, who cannot endure by such means to be known, Should retire from the World, or let writing alone.

- "There is still room for Genius to exert itself; there are paths yet unexplored in the literary World; "the Temple of Fame is not yet full."—J. H. Prince's Letters, p. 22.
- "Genius commands by Sublimity and Beauty of Conception; Learning and Literary Industry prefer their claims by obvious Utility."—Claims of Literature, p. 13.

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#### GENTLEMEN!

IN whatever part of the British Dominions, whether in England, Wales, Scotland, or Ireland; or wherever else, in either of the quaternal Divisons of this Orb, ye exercise the important Duties of your Profession,—Be pleased to receive "The Querist & Investigator" into your Studies, as a kind of Common-place Book; and as a well-meant Effort to be useful, on the part of

GENTLEMEN,

Yours, respectfully,



## PREFACE

TO THE

# MEDICAL QUÆRIST, &c.

If the publication of the ensuing pages should be answerable in effect to my expectations and wishes, it will procure credit to the writer as a man possessing some ingenuity, and be productive

of considerable utility to the Public.

Possibly they may not be original, but I have never yet seen any thing on the same plan. Many of the younger practitioners, the Tyroes in medicine, would find considerable assistance from thus having a regular series of questions before them, whereby to direct their proceedings, when sent by their master, or going in his absence, to visit a patient: and the masters would certainly find pleasure from beholding with what accuracy the investigation is made; and something more than pleasure too! They would find advantage from it, as their business may be much facilitated by this means, either in town or country; since even an apprentice, of only two or three years standing, if possessing good sense, may thus visit a patient, and bring home, with very little difficulty, an account so simple, clear, and circumstantial, that he (the master) could not gain much more information, even by his own inspection and taction of the patient, than from such a statement of the case. It would be amply sufficient to enable him (as the archiater and curator morborum) to prescribe what is proper to remove the disease; and it would, at the same time, give to young students an accurate scientific method of investigating the nature of diseases, by a proper attention to the symptoms; which may therefore, eventually, tend to improve the noble art of medicine: and thus methodism may be useful, at least in physic.

These pages may not only be very useful to the juniors, but, in some degree, serviceable to those who have long been in the habit

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of practising, by assisting the memory with the aid of the pen; and that aid accomplished with very little trouble, so as to serve the purpose of a diary and case-book \*.

I now proceed, for the sake of juniors, to explain the mode of

making use of them in a proper manner.

The name, and residence, of the patient, being written in the upper compartment, two figures immediately following will (in more than ninety-nine cases out of a hundred) ascertain the age. Any mark in either of the columns, under C, M, W, (standing for Cœlibate, Married, Widower or Widow) will signify the condition of the patient in respect to matrimonial affairs; or perhaps it might be a better plan + to pay no regard to C, and to put figures under M, W, signifying how long the persons have been in that state; as some medical knowledge may be derived even from that circumstance; and especially with regard to women; consequently the number of children to ought always to be enquired after and noted down. A single letter, R, M, W, I, (or any mark) will determine with tolerable precision, the general habit of body. The date of visiting will almost follow of course from the first question; and (should it be thought not too much trouble) the state of the weather might be defined with equal brevity. The queries which ensue may, in most instances, have their answers placed in the opposite blank by three or two letters, the simple affirmative or negative, yes or no; or even this may be done by a single capital Y, N: but too much brevity may occasion some obscurity; and the additional time requisite to put the answer in a perspicuous manner (even some words written at full length in the Quærist) may, surely, be granted on occasions of such importance.

The practitioner will necessarily exercise his own good sense and discretion to judge the most *expedient* mode of obtaining these

The miscarriages may also be noted in the same column, under Ab, which signifies

abortions.

<sup>\*</sup> The utility of these four Pages will not be trifling in Hospitals and Infirma-Ries, and it is principally from the several Gentlemen belonging to the different public Infitutions of this kind throughout the Kingdom that I look eventually for encouragement of, and recompence from, my Work; and to whom I here send my Respects; affuring them that any communications tending to the Improvement of the work, will be very gladly received by me; for, conscious as I am of it's Ingenuity, and pleased therewith, I am not such a conceited Fool as to believe that it is perfect. POPE, in his Essay on Criticism, has justly observed

<sup>&</sup>quot;Whoe'er expects a faultless piece to see, "Thinks what ne'er was, nor is, nor e'er shall be."

<sup>†</sup> It is true that I might have omitted that column altogether; for, when an Axiom is proposed, which may certainly be discovered by one of three ways, and it be not found in the first or second to which we apply, we may then adopt the well-known Logic of the Dog, who had lost his Master, and conclude that it is in the Third. So, if there were no mark inserted under M, or W, it might be inferred that the Patient be in a state of Coelibacy. However, as such inference is not absolutely conclusive, because the Querist might have been negligent of his Duty, I therefore choose to give the three appropriate columns, and thus if each be left without any mark, presumptive evidence will be afforded, nearly tantamount to demonstration, or proof positive, of the young Man's inattention.

answers: whether directly from the PATIENT, or mediately from the Bye-standers.

When the office of the *Quærist* has been discharged, he then assumes the office of *Inspector*, or rather, (more accurately speaking) of Investigator, and the only trouble here requisite, in addition to his several *powers* of investigation (by *sight*, *heaving*, *touch*, and *smell*) will be to mark, in the first visiting column (in part 2nd) the first letter (or sometimes, for *distinction's* sake, the first and

second) of any epithet that may be proper.

It was an observation of the great Baglivi, that the physician should never quit his patient without having examined the state of the eyes. ("Nunquam discedat medicus ab ægro, priusquam inspexerat oculos.") Suppose therefore he wishes to record, that they are clear, full, and open; c, f, o, are all the letters requisite to be written, as there are no other epithets beginning with those letters. Or, (to illustrate farther, though the preceding is quite enough) supposing he wants to state that the hands are moist and warm, or cold and moist, then m, w; or c, m, are all that the apprentice or assistant will find necessary for the purpose of conveying to his master a satisfactory account of those circumstances: and briefly, sic de cæteris. When he only wishes to express that the tongue, eyes, hands, &c. are in a state nearly natural, n-N will comprise all needful information.

But to give the young student a better idea, and more demonstrable than merely by prefatory explanation, I have imagined a CASE, and desire him to fill the column for the first visit according to my plan. It is indeed a very unfavourable case; but, if the judicious application of stimulating and tonic medicines, (as cantharides, bark, mineral acids, aromatics, cordials, &c.) should produce a recovery, the more credit will the doctor acquire for having thus extricated his patient from dissolution, when apparently verging

on the brink of the grave.

Suppose the words were written in full, they must be nearly as follow: "an intermitting, languid, small Pulse; a brown, dry, "streaked, white Tongue; dim, sunk and shut Eyes; di"lated Nostrils; livid Lips; quick, laborious Respiration;
"tremulous weak Voice; offensive Breath; cold, moist
"upper and lower extremities or Limbs; the same of the Skin in
general; with livid superficial Spots, chiefly seated on the
Breast, Neck, and Face; the Appetite little, and sickly;
the Thirst considerable; the Liquors mostly drank, lemonade, and other acids; and wine and water; the Urine highcoloured and muddy; the Fœces dark, fœtid, and lax."

[Such a case almost precludes every hope of recovery, if it were not proper in physic to say "NIL DESPERANDUM," nothing is so bad, so beyond hope, that we should despair of there being a change

for the better.]

It may perhaps facilitate the knowledge of the proper mode of notation, if I annex a Sketch of the Plan; each third column signifying the manuscript part. The letters are not to be placed (as they are here) all in one line, and divided by commas, but in that part of the column opposite to their respective epithets.

From the foregoing specimen, the reader may judge somewhat of the practical advantage of my scheme. If the case had been written down in the manner here given, (the phraseology of which is condensed as much as circumstantial minuteness would admit of) there must have been about 430 letters put down; whereas, on the columnar plan, 43 express the same information, with equal certainty; almost with equal facility of comprehension; and assuredly with greater facility of statement, in the proportion of nearly ten to one; or as 43 to 430; since the former multiplied by 10 makes

This mode is at least as valuable for professional purposes as if the practitioner were versed in the art of writing short-hand; perhaps, indeed, more so, as it is not less compendious than the stenographic mode of writing, and would be intelligible to every reader; and hence a case-book of this kind, duly kept, might be useful to many generations.

[Moreover I have an idea that the plan of this Investigator may be so modified \* as to become a good syllabus for a course of lectures, particularly if it be interleaved with blank paper, the pupil marking the appropriate letter as the lecturer proceeds in describing the disease. The place for the name of the patient, would serve for the name of the disease then spoken of, &c. &c.]

On this point, however, my opinion must yield to that of the Gentlemen to whose better judgement I here appeal. The Reader, who feels any Interest in this appeal, is referred to what is stated in the Note, page 6, which, when he has duly consider'd the respective merit of the two Plans, I think he will prefer, even for Hospital-Practice.

<sup>\*</sup> I am convinced of the possibility of rendering it much more compendious, than even this is, by omitting all the Epithets, and having only columns for Figures, Words, and Letters, (as in the Sketch above given in this Page) whereby the whole of the Investigator may be reduced to a single page with 10 columns; the Notator having always before him a movable printed List of the terms and epithets, to prevent inconvenience from lapse of memory. But, for private practice, I cannot think such Brevity as eligible as the present mode: since it would be much more liable to confusion of Ideas.

Finally, I would observe, ere I close the Preface, that no liberal man will attempt to rob me of that reasonable pecuniary\* advantage which may be expected to arise from the sale of this little work.

Should this specimen be approved by the medical gentlemen, I shall feel myself obliged by the communication of their opinion (P. paid) to W.P. Russel, [See Advertisement] and should they be disposed to subscribe for a volume, or more, of these quærist-papers, I here inform them, that, I hope to meet with sufficient inducement to have ready for sale, about the middle of July, or perhaps sooner +, several thousand copies of these four pages, each of which serves for the description of only one patient's complaint. They shall be sent to the purchaser enveloped in some kind of case, but not stitched together, (unless there be an order sent expressly to have them, in boards) that they may be carried, a few at a time, with convenience in a pocket-book; and be divisible betwixt master and assistant. For every hundred copies, with one Preface, the charge will be 4s. 6d.; which considering the quality of the paper, and allowing to the author a little recompence for devising the plan, is quite cheap enough, there being at this rate, nearly two for a penny.

If the profits of any medical business will not well afford to pay

so trifling a sum, it must be a poor business indeed.

The author will maintain his right in this invention to the utmost extent of legal authority, as he hopes it will eventually free him from debts contracted for food, raiment, former printing matters, and so forth; and procure him as reasonable a share of the comforts of life, as if he had, almost mechanically, arranged syllables and words to the bulk of some paltry spelling-book, manifesting therein little more of science than the knowledge of ab, eb, ib, ob, uh; ba, be, bi, bo, bu; cum multis aliis of the like kind.

The only person he has to dread is some rascally bookseller, who will pirate the plan. The fair part of the trade would be above

\* The merit of the Invention, if it be meritorious, is, and will be, mine, this day, and

henceforth as long as it will be worth having; that is, until a better be found out.

† The type is the Author's property, and will be kept ready standing; therefore the sooner he receives communications (as above requested) from Medical Gentlemen, the sooner, of course, shall the first Impression be worked off; but until orders are sent for 10-000, (which would produce little more than 22 pounds) it will not be worth the trouble of setting the Pressman to work. Now if 100 private Practitioners were Each to take only one volume, this object would be attained. To those, who order 4 Volumes at once, an Abatement will be made of Two-shillings, on the Four. But this abatement can only be obtained by addressing the order (P: paid) to the Author, inclosing either a Poundonly be obtained by addressing the order (P: paid) to the Author, inclosing either a Pound-Bill, (the change from which shall be returned with the Books) or authorizing Payment to be made before the Parcel be resign'd, according to order, for Conveyance.

Perhaps, after the Year 1802, the Bookseller will be authorized to make such allowance

to Hospitals, &c. but, ere then, the Medical Public shall be duly apprized, by Advertizement, of the mode to obtain them. In the mean time, the regular course of book-

selling business will supply the single volumes.

The intent of this allowance is to be equivalent to the charge of Postage and carriage of Parcel, when sent from LONDON. The London Hospitals &c. may thus save a little, by ordering Four at a time.

so mean an action; as all reasonable allowance will be made to

them for the distribution of every packet of papers.

I offer, and here promise to pay, to any person informing me of, and proving the vender or printer of, a surreptitious copy, more than half whatever damages the law may allow.

Lastly, let me observe, that I have only annexed seven columns, as the seventh is often a critical day, and many fevers, &c. go off

sooner than that period of duration.

Should the attendance of the practitioner be requisite more than seven times (and this I suppose to be once a day, or nearly as often) the trouble would be very little, in such cases, to have a piece of paper pasted on that page, with seven columns\*, on each side, and thus he may note the progress of the disease, should it continue for 14 days, with as little trouble as on any plan hitherto made known; or (more correctly speaking, and therefore less liable to be carped at by cavillers) with much less trouble than on any plan which has hitherto fallen under MY observation.

When an idea, capable of good, occurs to the mind, it should, if possible, be instantly pursued to the utmost extent of the person's ability. I did so on the evening of Good Friday, 1802; and I trust that, as far as regards temporal welfare, it will prove a good Friday to me. I expect much more benefit from these few pages than from any I shall ever write; and if a bookseller were to offer me a clear hundred, or double that sum, for the copy-right thereof, I would not take it. Nevertheless I may be greatly deceived in

my expectations; but

#### SPERO MELIORA

is the motto adopted on this occasion by

W. RUSSEL.

\* If however the Gentlemen belonging to the Hospitals &c. should prefer having more than 7 Columns, they will be pleased to signify their wish, to the AUTHOR; and an Extra number of copies of the Investigator shall be worked, containing nothing more than 12 blank columns on two sides; and, on the other two sides, totally blank, may be written the METHODUS MEDENDI, or the mode of cure; which cannot be reduced to any general Form, so as to be brought within the province of typographical arrangement.

More than 7 columns do not seem necessary for private Practitioners; yet, if any of them think otherwise, they may, by an express order, have, with each volume, what number they please of the Extra blank columns; but not in any sub-division of the 100, otherwise than 25, 50, or 75. The extra expence, for which, shall be as little as possible: probably about 3 Shillings (or 3 and Six-pence) per Hundred.

## POSTSCRIPT.

I FIND it necessary to add a few words concerning the Investigator; or Part the Second.

There will be found, in several places, synonimous epithets; for

instance,

Under Pulse there is languid, also weak. The reason is for the sake of variety; and the practitioner may thus take his choice, using either 1 or w to express the same object. This renders the office less wearisome, by being less monotonous.

When two epithets, in the same compartment, begin with a similar letter; as, under Abdomen, cold and corpulent, I should consider the single letter c as sufficient to denote the first; and co or cor for the second; h for hard; ho for hot. Under Eyes, d for

dim; dr for dry and sic de cæteris.

Under the word abdomen are the words large and swell'd, which are somewhat different; for instance, it may be constantly large by dropsical or other morbid distension; it may be casually swell'd from internal or external causes, from having taken noxious food or poison, or from blows. Opposite to Eyes and Hair the Reader will perceive d, p, after the words, blue and brown, which stand for dark or pale; and d, s, for dark or sandy colour, after the word red.

The observations relative to the colour of the eyes and hair, and the form of the nose, might be deemed too minute attention for *medical* purposes; however, as some knowledge may be derived from such matters relative to bodily temperament, I thought proper to insert them, and the practitioner will exercise his own discretion in judging how far they are worthy of his attention.

In the conclusion of the investigator there are questions exclusively confined to the province of surgery, but no questions are there proposed to define in what part the wound or inflammation is seated: this omission was deemed proper, because there is a section devoted to such object before, which will serve both for the physician and the surgeon; and, where brevity is intended,

repetition should be avoided.

The four pages were made up, and put under the press, before the idea occurred, that something ought to be noted down respecting the *state* of the *blood*, in case of phlebotomy; but this being a part of the *Methodus Medendi*, the practitioner, who takes the pains to mark the progress of his patients malady, would, of course, remark whether the Coagulum be buffy; contracted like a cup

or bowl; florid; gluey; loose? whether the Serum be clear; little; milky; much; pale; yellow?

Finally, I would remark, that the plan of this work seems capa-

ble of universal adoption, in every language.

Some of the medical gentlemen in England are acquainted with different European and Oriental languages; and I therefore hope and believe that their benevolence will incite them to translate the plan so as to be soon known in other countries, should it be approved of in this.

## ADVERTISEMENT.

THE Author of these Pages has long had, ready for the Press, a Manuscript on another Medical Subject, which has been read by two Medical Gentlemen of eminence in London, and sufficiently praised, by them, to induce him to believe that it would become a popular Essay, bearing the following title,

"An Essay, Medical, Political, and Moral, upon a good Stomach,

and good Food."

There are many original Ideas in this work, and some old ones

put in a new point of view.

They who are disposed to encourage it, will be pleased, when they order the Quærist, to say they will take a copy of the Essay as soon as printed:—for the Number first printed shall be regulated by the Subscribers' Names; and should it meet with their approbation, a large Impression shall then be taken for Public Perusal.

The charge will be not less than 1s. 6d. nor more than 2s. 6d.;

but the precise sum cannot now be specified.

There are nearly 100 pages in Manuscript. It will be dedicated, by permission, to a Medical Friend, who stands high on the list of Science.

[Lest any Person, of fastidious taste, should find fault with the Rule-work, it seems proper to state (what is a real fact,) that those 4 Pages (and the Notes in small Type) were composed, in the Author's apartment, with his own hands, and are his first effort at typographical arrangement.

This will be sufficient apology, if any apology be requisite, for a work tolerably executed, considering the several obstacles to its

perfection.]

# The Medical QUÆRIST and INVESTIGATOR. In two Parts. Invented by w: P: Russel.

Part: 1st. The QUERIST.							
Name and Residence age C M W ch	STRENGTH JUICES Colm hot rainy						
When were you taken ill?	On day the						
At or near what hour of the Day?	(AM) (PM)						
What were the first symptoms that you perceived at the attack? Was you affected with coldness and Shivering? with pain in the Head? Back? Bowels? or Limbs? Were you giddy?							
How long was it before you found an abatement of the Pain?	About Hour						
Did you immediately go to BED? or, how soon after? Did you sleep? Did you awake refreshed? or, Was your Sleep disturbed by Dreams? & Did you awake still going worse?							
What do you conceive were the Predisposing Causes? Were you wet with Rain? Had you been in Exercise, and were you suddenly chilled? Were you exposed to cold Night-Air? or, to cold Air during the Day? Were your Feet wet? Had you been exposed to any putrid Effluvia? or, any stinking Smells? Had you eaten or drank any thing lately that disagreed with you? or, Had you fasted too long?							
What is your general system of DIET?  or, What food do you chiefly use? Is it mostly animal, vegetable; or Milk? What is your common Beverage? Is it Ale, Cyder, Perry, Porter, Spirits, Small-beer, Water, Whey, or Wine? Are you moderate in Eating & Drinking? Or, do you drink rather freely?							

THE Q	JUÆRIST.				
What kind of CLOTHING do you wear?  Do you wear Flannel next your Skin?					
Do you use much Exercise? or, Are you by choice, or business, chiesty sedentary?					
What is your TRADE?					
What is your general state of Health?  Is it good; tolerably good; or sickly?					
What have you taken, or done, since you were seized with this Complaint?					
In what state were your Bowels at the time of being attacked? Were they costive? lax? or, natural? When had you a MOTION, last?					
Have you preserved any URINE? When was it evacuated?					
The Practitioner having proposed as many of these preparatory Queries as he may deem necessary, let him proceed to make use of his own Senses, in order to acquire Information. Let him be attentive to the state of his Patient's mind, so far as depends upon either physical or spiritual Causes: and, if it be disturbed, let him learn, from the Friends or Nurse, whether such impair'd Functions proceed from the influence of any of the Passions. Let the following Queries serve as guides to some necessary parts of this Knowledge.					
Is the Patient calm and composed?  or, Is he wild and disturbed?					
Are there any signs of DELIRIUM?					
Any spasmodic Pluckings of the Hands, or Feet. &c. ?	-				
Any sudden Starts as soon as he begins to doze?					
Is he sleepy or wakeful?					
Does he lie with the Head high or low?					
Does he lie quiet & bear the Clothes on?  or, Does he throw them off?					
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### Part 2nd, The INVESTIGATOR.

The State of the PATIENT, at the time of being first visited: or when admitted into the HOSPITAL: &c.

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The PULSE. Strokes in a minute? Is it equal? full? intermitting? irregular? languid? rebounding? foft?		2	3	4	5	6	7
fmall? ftrong? tenfe? throbbing? undulating? weak?							
Tongue, Bliftered? brown?claumy? clean? dry? foul? moift? rough? ftreaked? white?			,				
SPEECH and VOICE. Calm? fretful? loud? quick? thrill? stammering? flow? tremulous? weak? wandering?							
Eyes, Bloodshot? clear? dim? dry? full? lustrous? open? shut? sunk? weak? watery?  C. blue, d. p? brown, d. p? grey? hazel							
Nos F. Contracted? dilated? natural? aquiline? depress'd? large? small?							
Lips. blifter'd? livid? pale? red f thick? thin? tumified? ulcerated?							
RESPIRATION Difficult? hiccup? eafy? laborious? N?quick? flow?							
BREATH. hot? offensive? no-obsrvble?							
FACE. bloated? fat? florid? livid? meagre? fallow? faturnine? thin?							
HAIR. brown, d, p? flaxen? red, d,s? crifp? curly? dry? foft? ftrait? fweaty?							
HANDS and ARMS, &c. cold? dry? hot? large? moist? codematous? small? warm? LEGS and FEET, &c.							
Skin in general. cold? dry? moist rough? fcaly? fmooth? fweaty? warm						,	
If spotted, the Colour and Seat livid? red? — deep? superficial?							
PARTS mostly spotted. The arms? breast? face? legs? neck? thighs?							
Exuptions, clear? confluent? few? chorous? meafly? miliary? numerous? feabby? vaccine? variolous? venereal?							
THIRST confiderable? constant? excessive? little? none? occasional?							

1	The	INVEST	TIGATOR			
Liquors defired. Acid or fweet? gruel? water? whey? wine & water?						
PAIN & INFLAM. right or left Side? Ancles? Arms? Back? Bladder? Bowels? Breaft? Clavicle? Eyes? Diaphragm? Fauces? Feet? Gums? Hands? Head? Heart? Hips? Kidneys Knees? Legs? Liver? Loins? Lungs? Neck? Pleura? Ribs? Shoulders? Spleen? Stomach? Teeth? Thighs? Throat? Wind-pipe?					ę	
INFLAM. eryfipelatous? gangrenous? phleginonous? scorbutic?						
PAIN. acute? conflant? distracting? dull? fix'd? flying? gnawing? heavy? lancinating? moderate? piercing? fharp? throbbing? tortuous? twitching? violent?						
APPETITE or Stomach. Is it little? much? natural? fick? vomiting?						
VOMTNG. often? periodical? feldom? bilious? bitter? frothy? mucous? slimy? sweet? tasteless? watery? bloody? green? yellow?						
ABDOMEN. cold? fat? hard? hot? large? soft? swell'd? thin? tense? windy?						
URINE. bloody? clear? high-colour'd? lateritious? muddy? pale? turbid? Sediment, or without Sediment? oily on the Top? Mucus-suspended?				,		
The Fæces. bilious? bloody? dark? fetid? frequent? hard? lax? moist? Natrl? slimy? streak'd with blood?						
If Issues, Wounds, or Ulcers, ask,  1. duration: Days, Months, Years? denoting it by Arabic Numerals.  2. The Condition, Form & Size. callous? clean? dried-up? foul? fungous? spreading? stationary? angular? broad? circular? deep? long? narrow? sinuous? small? superficial?  3. Pus or Discharge. fetid? ichorous? laudable? sanious? thick? thin? dark? greenish? white? yellow?						

### ADDRESS TO PURCHASERS.

THE Author of these Pages, having (in p. 5, 1.17.) fpoken of the Quality of the Paper, requests each Medical Purchaser to observe, that, it is not now printed on Writing Paper, as he could not procure one of sufficient Size; and this is sent out merely as a Specimen of his Plan; but should there be a large Impression (for practical use with the Pen) the Paper shall be of the proper kind; and be hot-pressed to render it smooth.

#### FINAL ADVERTISEMENT.

To the PARENTS of Boys, in genteel Life.

W:Russer, originally a Student in Medical Persuits, since then a Clergyman and again a Practitioner in the humblest department of the Art of Healing, (having, for good reasons, renounced the Clerical Profession) thus communicates, to the Public, his desire of taking from Six to Ten Pupils, to be instructed in the rudimental principles of Literature.

His TERMS, will be at the rate of FORTY Guineas per Annum: for which, they shall receive every liberal treatment, suitable to the Sons of GENTLEMEN; and all due pains shall be taken to make them Scholars and valuable members of Society. Mr Russel will not promise more than He means to perform.

As it is more difficult to eradicate, than to impress, the mode of learning, (and Mr Russel's plan of Instruction being somewhat different from any one hitherto in use) he would prefer the Pupil as young as may be after the Eighth year. None to be admitted before that Period, nor exceeding Eleven years old.

The DURATION of Residence, under the care of Mr: R, he designs to limit to three years, (or none to continue, longer, with him) that he may be enabled to prepare more Boys, for higher Seminaries, or to enter on their Apprenticeships. Polsibly circumflances may hereafter induce some variation from the original Plan.

The place of Mr Rufsel's intended Residence is the beautiful Town of Ludlow, in Shropshire; to commence immediately after the Mid-summer Vacation. He is at present in London, and will continue there till nearly the middle of July. Before that time, all letters to be address'd to him at 56 Red-Lion Street Holborn. Afterwards to Ludlow. If the corresponding Parties reciprocally defray the Postage, previous to mission of the Letters, all Inconvenience will be thus easily prevented; this being a Sine qua non Condition of acceptance on his part.

The Diætic and Gymnastic part of the Education shall be unexceptionable. A small Horse shall be kept, for one of the Pupils to ride out, withMr: R., every fine day.

No charge to be made for Writing and Arithmetic; nor, for moderate Washing.

Other expences, as usual in most other Schools.

he should certainly prefer, having only the Sons of Medical Men; or, at least, only such Boys as are designed for the Medical Profession; as it might enable him, in many respects, to direct their early Studies, and Habits of Thinking, more to that object, than can possibly be done in a School not so select as he designs his to be.







